GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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NEW FOODGRAINS EXPORT POLICY
Gadakh Shri Tukaram Gangadhar

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any new Foodgrains Export Policy is under consideration of the Ministry;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether private exporters will be encouraged to export foodgrains items to export under this new policy;

(d) is it appropriate to export foodgrains while there is still shortage of foodgrains in remote areas, villages and some parts of the country where still starvation death occurs;

(e) whether there will be sufficient discussions, debate before finalizing this policy; and

(f) please give details?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) to (f): A new foodgrain export policy is being formulated. It is at an advanced stage of consideration in the Government of India. The details and incentives under the scheme are yet to be finalised.